In another case, police detected and seized unauthorized blood bags at Lucknow. Eight persons were arrested and case has been registered with Lucknow police.

(c) The Government of Uttar Pradesh has stepped up the number of raids/inspections at all the blood banks in Uttar Pradesh since September 2009. Show cause notices to 40 Blood Banks have already been issued by the State Government.

Spurious drugs in the market

†1326. DR. PRABHA THAKUR: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the sale of substandard and spurious drugs at several medical stores in the market still continues;

(b) whether such drugs are playing with the health of the patients and if so, the persons whom Government considers responsible for circulation of such drugs; and

(c) the number of cases of spurious drugs detected during the last two years the name of States where maximum number of spurious drugs are being manufactured and sold, the action taken against the persons found guilty in such cases and the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI GHULAM NABI AZAD): (a) and (b) No. The State Licensing Authorities during the raids or inspections of medical stores have detected certain cases of sub-standard and spurious drugs. Consumption of sub-standard or spurious drugs could be harmful. The manufacturing, marketing, etc of such drugs is an undercover activity indulged by unscrupulous persons. The drugs samples tested all over the country during the last five years have, however, revealed that approximately 0.3% to 0.4% of around 40,000 samples tested per annum were found spurious. A recent survey carried out by Central Drugs Standards Control Organisation (CDSCO) on the basis of the statistical principles provided by Indian Statistical Institute (ISI), Hyderabad to assess more accurate extent of spurious drugs in the country has revealed that the extent of spurious drugs is further much below this level (about 0.045%).

(c) The manufacture of spurious drug being a clandestine activity and because of its interstate movement no State can be considered as where the maximum no. of spurious drugs are being manufactured and sold, however maximum number of cases have been detected in Maharashtra. Prosecution are launched after necessary investigation by the regulatory agency in such cases. A details of showing the numbers of samples tested, declared spurious, prosecution launched, number of persons arrested and approximate value of drugs seized in the last two years 2007-2008 and 2008-2009 as obtained from the State Licensing Authorities is given in the Statement (*See* below). The information in respect of year 2008-09 has been received from only some of the State Drugs Controllers.

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†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

Statement

Details Showing number of Samples tested, samples declared Not of Standard Quality, samples declared Spurious, Prosecution Launched, cases decided, persons arrested and approximate value of drugs seized during 2007-08 as per the feed back available from the States

Sl. No.	State/UTs	No. of drugs samples tested	No. of drugs samples declared not of standard quality	No. of drugs samples declared spurious/ adulterated	No. of prosecution launched for manufacturing, sale and distribution of spurious/ adulterated drugs	No. of cases (as mentioned in the earlier column) decided	No. of persons arrested	Approximate value of drugs seized (In Rs.)
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
1.	Andhra Pradesh	3962	82	5	1	1	Nil	2,50,000
2.	Arunachal Pradesh		Data not received				Data not received	
3.	Assam	237	21	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
4.	Bihar	1471	36	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
5.	Goa	164	32	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
6.	Gujarat	1984	269	4	5	Nil	Nil	14,000
7.	Haryana	1913	108	Nil	27	43	2	Nil

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
8.	Himachal Pradesh	623	4	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
9.	Jammu and Kashmir	696	39	Nil	9	Nil	Nil	4,10,000
10.	Karnataka	3094	224	01(vet)	24	Nil	Nil	13,24,000
11.	Kerala	4228	222	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
12.	Madhya Pradesh	1848	59	Nil	1	Nil	Nil	Nil
13.	Maharashtra	7038	633	19	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
14.	Manipur		Data not received				Data not received	
15.	Meghalaya	276	4	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
16.	Mizoram	4	Nil	Nil	Nil	4	Nil	Nil
17.	Nagaland	46	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
18.	Orissa	1133	77	2	1	Nil	4	Nil
19.	Punjab	914	30	6	4	1	Nil	Nil
20.	Rajasthan	1805	126	2	2	Nil	Nil	Nil
21.	Sikkim	20	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
22.	Tamil Nadu	1988	260	2	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
23.	Tripura	381	14	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
24.	Uttar Pradesh	3548	74	16	28	4	64	7,00,000
25.	West Bengal	855	66	7	11	Nil	7	1,10,000,00
26.	Pondicherry	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
27.	Andaman and Nicobar Islands	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
28.	Chandigarh	90	2	Nil	Nil	1	Nil	Nil
29.	Delhi	52	4	1	2	Nil	8	Nil
30.	Dadra and Nagar Haveli	19	1	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
31.	Daman and Diu	41	1	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
32.	Lakshadweep	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
33.	Chhattisgarh	283	31	2	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
34.	Jharkhand	131	9	4	—	—	—	—
35.	Uttaranchal	273	1	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
	Total	39117	2429	46	115	54	85	26,98,000

Statement Showing number of Samples declared Spurious, persons arrested, persons convicted and persons/companies involved in manufacture etc of spurious drug during 2008-09 as per the feed back available from the States.

S. No.	States	No. of samples declared spurious	Number of persons arrested for manufacture, sale and distribution of spurious drugs	Number of persons convicted for manufacture, sale and distribution of spurious drugs	details of persons companies involved in manufacture, sale and distribution of spurious drugs
1	2	3	4	5	6
1.	Andhra Pradesh	1			1
2.	Arunachal Pradesh		Data not received		
3.	Assam		Data not received		
4.	Bihar		Data not received		
5.	Goa	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
6.	Gujarat	6	1	Nil	4
7.	Haryana		Data not received		
8.	Himachal Pradesh		Data not received		
9.	Jammu and Kashmir	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
10.	Karnataka	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
11.	Kerala	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
12.	Madhya Pradesh	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
13.	Maharashtra	14	13	Nil	14
14.	Manipur		Data not received		
15.	Meghalaya		Data not received		
16.	Mizoram	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
17.	Nagaland		Data not received		
18.	Orissa		Data not received		
19.	Punjab		Data not received		
20.	Rajasthan	8	3		8

1	2	3	4	5	6
21.	Sikkim		Data not received		
22.	Tamil Nadu	2	Nil	1	2
23.	Tripura	4	Nil	Nil	1
24.	Uttar Pradesh		Data not received		
25.	West Bengal	3	5	Nil	
26.	Pondicherry		Data not received		
27.	Andaman and Nicobar Islands	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
28.	Chandigarh		Data not received		
29.	Delhi		Data not received		
30.	Dadra and Nagar Haveli		Data not received		
31.	Daman and Diu		Data not received		
32.	Lakshadweep	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
33.	Chhattisgarh		Data not received		
34.	Jharkhand		Data not received		
35.	Uttaranchal	1	1	Nil	1

People's planning at grass root level

1327. SHRI AMIR ALAM KHAN: Will the Minister of PANCHAYATI RAJ be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has taken initiatives for people's planning at the grass root level by the Panchayats and local bodies;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) if not, the reasons therefor; and

(d) the steps taken to strengthen the financial health of the Panchayats?

THE MINISTER OF PANCHAYATI RAJ (SHRI C.P. JOSHI): (a) to (c) Article 243 ZD of the Constitution provides for constitution of District Planning Committees (DPCs) to consolidate plans prepared by the Panchayats and Municipalities for the district and to prepare a draft development plan for the district as a whole.

As the concept of grass-roots planning through the DPCs was almost non-existent in most of the States, the Ministry has pursued, in the first instance, the establishment of DPCs in the